target dates fixed for the completion of the ongoing railway projects in Balasore on the Kharagpur-Khurda Road Section?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[*Translation*]

Supply of Hard Coke in Bihar

1729. SHRI BHUVNESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state the quantity of Hard Coke supplied during 1990-91 and upto June '91 in Hazaribagh and Ranchi districts of Bihar?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): According to information furnished by Coal India (CIL) the quantity of hard coke supplied by CIL sources during 1990-91 and 1991-92 (April-June) to Ranchi and Hazaribagh Districts of Bihar is as under:—

	(*Figures to tonnes*)	
District	*1990-91*	*1991-92* (*April-June*)
Ranchi	1556	287
Hazaribagh	Nil	Nil

Transfers of Officers at Samastipur

1730. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Railway officers/employees, posted at one place for more than three years in the North Eastern Railway particularly in Samastipur division;

(b) the reasons therefor; and

(c) the number of the officers/employees posted at the stations, near to their home, village or city in Samastipur division?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[*English*]

Direct Train Service from Thane to Bombay V.T.

1731. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Direct train service from Thane to Bombay V.T. (via Harbour line) was discontinued a few years back; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In order to run more suburban services on the main line.

Kotah Thermal Power Plant

1732. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken to start a second unit of N.T.-P.C. in Kotah (Anto);

(b) if so, when and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the second unit was recommended to be set up at the said place keeping in view all the relevant factors; and

(d) if so, when and if not, the name of the other recommended place?